

**In the Claims**

Please cancel Claims 10, 24, and 26. Please amend Claim 27 to appear as follows.

1 1. (Cancelled) .

1 2. (Cancelled).

1 3. (Previously Presented) A device for locating an item packaged in a container among potentially  
2 obscuring protective material, said device comprises:

3 an elongated flexible tether extractably loaded upon a dispenser anchorable to said container;

4 wherein said tether comprises a first end connected to a fastener attachable to said item;

5 wherein said dispenser comprises a stratified body having a bottom adhesive layer and a top  
6 layer.

1 4. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 3, wherein said tether is formed integrally with said  
2 top layer.

1 5. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 4, wherein said tether further comprises a plurality  
2 of undulations thereby forming a resiliency enhancing structure.

1 6. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 3 which further comprises said top layer being  
2 shaped to form a weakened bond between said tether and a remainder portion of said top layer.

1        7. (Original) The device of Claim 6, wherein said weakened bond comprises an aperture separating  
2        a portion of said tether from said remainder portion.

1        8. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 4, wherein said top layer is formed from a single  
2        piece of flexible sheet material.

1        9. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 8, wherein said flexible sheet material is selected  
2        from the group consisting of an elastomeric, vinyl, or latex rubber.

1        10. (Cancelled) .

1        11. (Previously Presented) A device for locating an item packaged in a container among  
2        potentially obscuring protective material, said device comprises:

3                an elongated flexible tether extractably loaded upon a dispenser anchorable to said  
4        container;

5                wherein said tether comprises a first end connected to a fastener attachable to said item;

6                wherein said tether and said fastener are formed integrally from a layer of elastomeric  
7        material;

8        and

9                wherein said fastener comprises a widened portion of said tether into a sheet-like pad.

1        12. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 11, wherein said pad is shaped to form an

2 attachment eye through said pad.

1 13. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 11, wherein said device further comprises an  
2 adhesive disk formed on a first surface of said pad.

1 14. (Cancelled) .

1 15. (Cancelled) .

1 16. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 3, wherein said fastener is selected from the group  
2 consisting of: a piece of sticky tape; an amount of glue; a rivet; a staple; complementary magnetic  
3 strips; complementary hook-and-vane fasteners; twist tie materials; a clip; and a sealable bag.

1 17. (Cancelled) .

1 18. (Cancelled) .

1 19. (Cancelled) .

1 20. (Cancelled) .

1 21. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 3, wherein said dispenser further comprises a badge

2 adapted to carry item identification information.

1 22. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 3, wherein said tether is separable into one or  
2 more subtethers.

1 23. (Cancelled) .

1 24. (Cancelled) .

1 25. (Cancelled) .

1 26. (Cancelled) .

1 27. (Currently Amended) ~~The device of Claim 10;~~ A device for locating an item packaged in a  
2 container among potentially obscuring protective material, said device comprises:

3 an elongated flexible tether extractably loaded upon a dispenser anchorable to said container;

4 wherein said tether separates into one or more subtethers connected to said dispenser; and,

5 wherein said dispenser comprises a stratified body having a bottom layer and a top layer.

1 28. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 27, wherein said tether is formed integrally with  
2 said top layer.

1     29. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 28, wherein said tether further comprises a plurality  
2     of undulations thereby forming a resiliency enhancing structure.

1     30. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 27 which further comprises said top layer being  
2     shaped to form a weakened bond between said tether and a remainder portion of said top layer.

1     31. (Cancelled) .